SR-7 Southern Parkway EXTENDED Sand Hollow to SR-9

The Southern Parkway (SR-7) (www.udot.utah.gov/southernparkway) is a 26-mile long, high speed, regional transportation corridor that serves St. George, Washington, and Hurricane providing local access to these communities as well as serving as an alternative travel route to I-15. It connects I-15 at milepost 2 (Sun River area) to SR-9 at approximately 2800 West in Hurricane. The first 18 miles from I-15 to Sand Hollow Reservoir have been completed. The final eight-mile segment from Sand Hollow Reservoir (4300 West) to SR-9 is currently under construction with an expected completion date of Fall 2021.

When complete, the entire corridor will have at least one travel lane in each direction with several local and regional interchanges serving many developments and rapidly growing St. George/Washington/Hurricane metropolitan area. As growth in Washington County continues, future improvements to the Southern Parkway will be constructed as the needs arise. These include adding another lane in each direction between Desert Canyon Parkway and SR-9 and constructing several more interchanges throughout the entire 26-mile length. It is expected that these types of improvements will be occurring off and on over the next few decades.

The figure on the following page shows the current project and projects that have been completed to date.

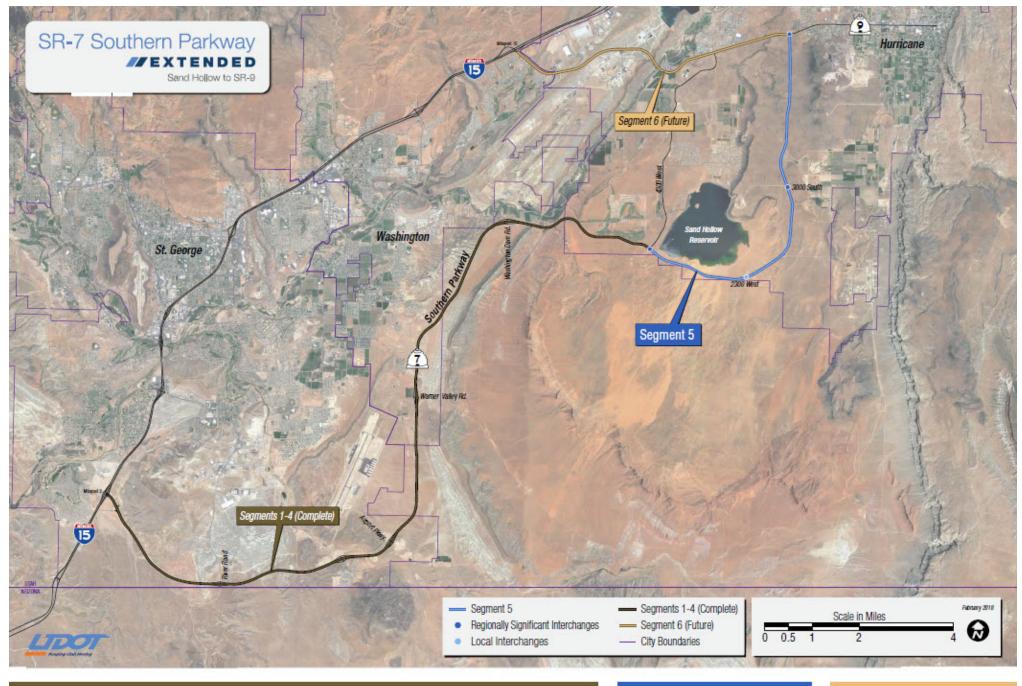
SR-7 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

The SR-7 Active Transportation Plan was a study performed in 2020 to address non-motorized (walking and biking) transportation needs adjacent to the Southern Parkway. The study focused on the need for and location of multi-use ped/bike trails and facilities throughout the corridor. Emphasis was placed on the need for new facilities that would connect to existing trail systems and that serve existing developed areas, connect to planned trail systems and future planned developments, and that would provide safe crossings of roadways and intersections. Projects were prioritized on the basis of need and feasibility and planning level cost estimates were prepared to develop an improvement plan that could be implemented over the coming years and as the need arises.

The study partners included UDOT, St. George, Washington, Hurricane, Washington County, and the Southern Utah Bicycling Association (SUBA). Partners are now working to obtain funding to begin work on the first projects, but no date has been determined as of yet.

Click <u>here</u> to view the final report which summarizes the study and shows the planned improvements and prioritization.





SEGMENTS 1-4

SEGMENT 1 I-15 to River Road 3.5 Miles

Completed 2009

SEGMENT 2

River Road to Airport Parkway 4 Miles Completed 2010

SEGMENT 3

Airport Parkway to Washington Dam Road 8 Miles Completed 2016

Washington Dam Road to 4300 West 3.5 Miles Completed 2013

SEGMENT 5

SEGMENT 5

4300 West to SR-9 Under Construction Spring 2020

SEGMENT 6

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SR-9; I-15 to 2800 West 6.5 Miles Future Project